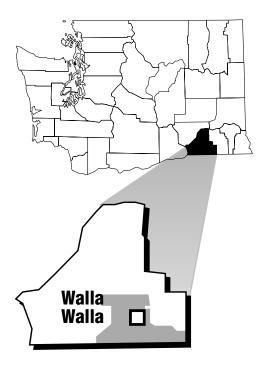
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# **System Snapshot**

• Operating Name: Valley Transit

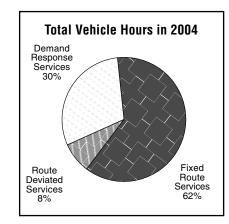
• Service Area: Walla Walla/College Place Area

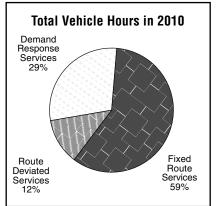
• Congressional District: 5

• Legislative District: 16

• Type of Government: Public Transportation Benefit Area

- Governing Body: Seven-member board of directors comprised of two Walla Walla county commissioners, three Walla Walla city councilmembers, and two College Place city councilmembers.
- Tax Authorized: 0.3 percent sales and use tax approved in March 1980.
- Types of Service: Seven fixed routes and Dial-A-Ride (Paratransit) service for persons aged 70 years or older and persons with disabilities who cannot use fixed route service operating weekdays; three demand response loop routes operating weekday evenings and Saturdays; and demand response job access service operating early mornings, late evenings, and Sundays.





- Days of Service: Weekdays, generally between 6:15 a.m. and 9:15 p.m., and Saturdays from 12:15 p.m. to 6:10 p.m. Job access service is available seven days a week from 5:00 a.m. to 11:30 p.m.
- Base Fare: 50 cents per boarding. Monthly passes are available for \$20 per month. Reduced fare passes are available for persons with special transportation needs for \$10 per month. Job Access trips are provided fare-free for qualified participants.

# **Current Operations**

Valley Transit operates seven rural local routes five days a week and a complementary Dial-A-Ride (Paratransit) service for elderly aged 70 and older, and persons with disabilities who cannot use the fixed route service.

Valley Transit also provides general public demand responsive/route deviated service on weekdays from 5:45 p.m. to 9:15 p.m. and Saturday from 12:15 p.m. to 6:10 p.m. Valley Transit's Job Access program provides work related transportation to qualified participants between the hours of 5:00 a.m. and 11:30 p.m., seven days a week.

#### **Revenue Service Vehicles**

Fixed Route -13 total, all equipped with wheelchair lifts, age ranging from 1990 to 2002.

ParaTransit – Six total, all ADA accessible, age ranging from 1994 to 2001.

### **Facilities**

Valley Transit's joint maintenance, operations, and administration facility covers 4.5 acres. It includes a 18,060-square foot maintenance and vehicle parking area, and a 4,800-square foot operations and administration area.

Valley Transit also has a transfer center located at the corner of Fourth and Main in downtown Walla Walla.

#### **Intermodal Connections**

Valley Transit provides fixed route service to the regional airport upon passenger request. Columbia County Transportation, located in Dayton, Washington, uses Valley Transit's downtown transfer center to provide connections with Valley Transit's fixed routes.

Valley Transit serves all of the public and private elementary, middle, and high schools, Walla Walla Community College, Whitman College, Walla Walla College, and all hospitals and medical clinics in Walla Walla and College Place. School districts 140 and 250 purchase passes for fixed route services for students in Grades 6-12 living between one and two miles from school.



#### **2004 Achievements**

- Secured federal and state operating assistance to maintain existing service levels.
- Secured continuing funding for the job access transportation program.
- Purchased five low-floor fixed route buses and three demandresponsive minibuses.
- Teamed with community partners to identify and remove barriers related to the job access transportation service.
- Assisted private transportation providers to develop a service delivery plan for intercity bus service between Pasco and Walla Walla.
- Continued to coordinate transportation services with the Walla Walla School District.



## 2005 Objectives

- Secure federal and state operating assistance to maintain existing service.
- Secure continuing funding for the job access transportation program.
- Purchase two low-floor fixed route buses.
- Expand the job access transportation service area to include the Farm Labor Camp.
- Continue to explore intermodal connections with intercity bus lines.

# Long-range (2006 through 2010) Plans

- Replace four transit buses and six minibuses.
- Secure federal and state operating assistance to maintain existing levels of service.
- Secure continuing funding for the job access transportation program.
- Construct a multi-modal center in downtown Walla Walla.
- Construct a 13th Street bus pull out.

Summary of Public Transportation — 2004

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2002 2003 <b>2004</b> % Change 2005 2006 2007	2010
Annual Operating Information Service Area Population 46,410 46,740 <b>48,435</b> 3.63% N.A. N.A. N.A. N.A.	N.A.
Service Area Population 40,410 40,740 <b>40,433</b> 5.05 % N.A. N.A. N.A.	IV.A.
Fixed Route Services	
Revenue Vehicle Hours 27,504 26,179 <b>24,403</b> -6.78% 24,000 24,000 24,000	24,000
Total Vehicle Hours 29,654 28,329 <b>25,651</b> -9.45% <i>25,000 25,000 25,000</i>	25,000
	268,000
Total Vehicle Miles 318,546 298,343 <b>282,521</b> -5.30% <i>280,000 280,000 280,000</i>	280,000
	483,000
Diesel Fuel Consumed (gallons) 36,876 40,869 <b>29,610</b> -27.55% <i>N.A. N.A. N.A.</i>	N.A.
CNG Fuel Consumed (Therms) 28,308 29,754 <b>31,572</b> 6.11% <i>N.A. N.A. N.A.</i>	N.A.
Fatalities 0 0 <b>0</b> N.A. N.A. N.A. N.A. N.A.	N.A.
Reportable Injuries 2 1 <b>1 1</b> 0.00% N.A. N.A. N.A. N.A.	N.A.
Collisions 3 0 <b>0</b> N.A. N.A. N.A. N.A. N.A.	N.A.
Employees FTEs 29.4 27.6 <b>26.3</b> -4.71% <i>N.A. N.A. N.A. N.A.</i>	N.A.
	345,000
Farebox Revenues \$184,363 \$189,550 <b>\$149,332</b> -21.22% <i>\$150,660 \$152,210 \$153,687</i> \$	158,300
Route Deviated Services	
Revenue Vehicle Hours 0 848 <b>2,944</b> 247.17% <i>2,950 3,800 3,800</i>	4,600
Total Vehicle Hours 0 875 <b>3,451</b> 294.40% <i>3,500</i> 4,400 4,400	5,000
Revenue Vehicle Miles 0 7,915 <b>29,659</b> 274.72% <i>29,700 30,400 30,400</i>	31,000
Total Vehicle Miles 0 7,985 <b>33,699</b> 322.03% <i>33,700 34,200 34,200</i>	34,800
Passenger Trips 0 3,636 <b>18,507</b> 408.99% <i>19,000 20,000 20,000</i>	20,000
CNG Fuel Consumed (Therms) 0 1,597 <b>10,610</b> 564.37% <i>N.A. N.A. N.A.</i>	N.A.
Fatalities 0 0 <b>0</b> N.A. N.A. N.A. N.A. N.A.	N.A.
Reportable Injuries 0 0 0 N.A. N.A. N.A. N.A. N.A.	N.A.
Collisions 0 0 0 N.A. N.A. N.A. N.A. N.A.	N.A.
Employees FTEs .0 .9 <b>1.8</b> 100.00% <i>N.A. N.A. N.A.</i>	N.A.
Operating Expenses \$0 \$56,632 <b>\$180,479</b> 218.69% <i>\$190,000 \$199,000 \$209,000</i>	242,000
Farebox Revenues \$0 \$604 <b>\$3,211</b> 431.62% <i>\$3,240 \$3,280 \$3,400</i>	\$3,400

	2002	2003	2004	% Change	2005	2006	2007	2010
Demand Response Services								
Revenue Vehicle Hours	7,673	7,994	11,120	39.10%	11,200	11,250	11,300	11,400
Total Vehicle Hours	7,810	8,084	12,210	51.04%	12,300	12,350	12,400	12,500
Revenue Vehicle Miles	83,616	87,513	119,327	36.35%	120,000	120,800	121,300	122,000
Total Vehicle Miles	84,366	88,313	121,367	37.43%	122,000	122,500	123,000	123,500
Passenger Trips	25,207	25,371	32,173	26.81%	32,300	32,450	33,000	34,000
CNG Fuel Consumed (Therms)	17,741	15,612	17,799	14.01%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Fatalities	0	0	0	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Reportable Injuries	2	0	1	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Collisions	1	0	0	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Employees FTEs	9.5	8.4	9.5	13.10%	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.	N.A.
Operating Expenses	\$580,642	\$533,289	\$686,702	28.77%	\$721,000	<i>\$757,000</i>	\$795,000	\$876,000
Farebox Revenues	\$12,603	\$4,219	\$8,029	90.31%	\$8,278	\$8,309	\$8,350	\$8,750

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	2002	2003	2004	% Change	2005	2006	2007	2010
Annual Revenues	2002	2000	2007	70 Onlango	2000	2000	2001	2010
Sales Tax	\$1,513,847	\$1,555,217	\$1,661,184	6.81%	\$1,716,003	\$1,772,631	\$1,831,128	\$2,018,458
Farebox Revenues	\$196,966	\$194,373	\$160,572	-17.39%	\$162,178	\$163,799	\$165,437	\$170,450
Federal Section 5311 Operating	\$301,003	\$155,012	\$68,608	-55.74%	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$200,000
FTA JARC Program	\$1,076	\$60,721	\$223,638	268.30%	\$200,885	\$175,000	\$88,750	\$0
Other Federal Operating	\$0	\$0	\$1,216	N.A.	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500
State Rural Mobility Grants	\$0	\$0	\$414,366	N.A.	\$253,506	\$275,000	\$194,750	\$110,000
State Special Needs Grants	\$0	\$0	\$25,215	N.A.	\$42,000	\$42,000	\$44,000	\$46,000
Other State Operating Grants	\$0	\$125,383	\$0	N.A.	<i>\$0</i>	\$0	\$0	<i>\$0</i>
Other	\$209,590	\$53,394	\$41,249	-22.75%	\$51,340	<i>\$51,685</i>	<i>\$45,953</i>	<i>\$18,705</i>
Total	\$2,222,482	\$2,144,100	\$2,596,048	21.08%	\$2,627,412	\$2,681,615	\$2,571,518	<i>\$2,565,113</i>
Annual Operating Expenses								
Annual Operating Expenses	\$2,158,179	\$2,334,659	\$2,602,662	11.48%	\$2,733,000	\$2,869,000	\$3,013,000	\$3,463,000
Total	\$2,158,179	\$2,334,659	\$2,602,662	11.48%	\$2,733,000	\$2,869,000	\$3,013,000	\$3,463,000
Annual Capital Purchase Obligations								
Federal Section 5309 Capital Grants	\$0	\$0	\$1,441,039		\$493,000	\$493,000	\$230,000	\$295,000
State Rural Mobility Grants	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>		\$198,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	\$70,185	\$63,487	\$0		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Capital Reserve Funds	\$0	\$0	\$475,769		\$543,000	\$299,000	\$262,000	\$184,000
Total	\$70,185	\$63,487	\$1,916,808	2919.21%	\$1,234,000	\$792,000	\$492,000	\$479,000
Ending Balances, December 31								
Unrestricted Cash and Investments	\$1	\$1	\$0	N.A.	\$0	\$0	\$0	<i>\$0</i>
Working Capital	\$2,177,746	\$1,902,664	\$1,650,359	-13.26%	\$1,647,000	\$1,562,000	\$1,404,000	\$311,000
Capital Reserve Funds	\$3,593,436	\$3,582,520	\$3,224,411	-10.00%	\$2,744,000	\$2,448,000	\$2,183,000	\$1,723,000
Total	\$5,771,183	\$5,485,185	\$4,874,770	-11.13%	\$4,391,000	\$4,010,000	\$3,587,000	\$2,034,000

# **Performance Measures for 2004 Operations**

	Fixed Routed Services		Route Devi	ated Services	Demand Response Services	
	Valley	Rural	Valley	Rural	Valley	Rural
	Transit	Averages	Transit	Averages	Transit	Averages
Fares/Operating Cost	8.60%	14.57%	1.78%	4.26%	1.17%	2.83%
Operating Cost/Passenger Trip	\$3.64	\$4.97	\$9.75	\$8.30	\$21.34	\$21.77
Operating Cost/Revenue Vehicle Mile	\$6.45	\$4.24	\$6.09	\$3.30	\$5.75	\$4.65
Operating Cost/Revenue Vehicle Hour	\$71.12	\$74.61	\$61.30	\$59.77	\$61.75	\$54.55
Operating Cost/Total Vehicle Hour	\$67.66	\$70.38	\$52.30	\$53.69	\$56.24	\$51.43
Revenue Vehicle Hours/Total Vehicle Hour	95.13%	94.26%	85.31%	90.53%	91.07%	93.89%
Revenue Vehicle Hours/FTE	928	971	1,636	1,206	1,171	1,409
Revenue Vehicle Miles/Revenue Vehicle Hour	11.03	19.18	10.07	20.58	10.73	12.54
Passenger Trips/Revenue Vehicle Hour	19.5	20.5	6.3	7.8	2.9	2.7
Passenger Trips/Revenue Vehicle Mile	1.77	1.33	0.62	0.44	0.27	0.23



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